

REMARKS

This is a response to the Office Action of April 29, 2008. A shortened statutory period for response was set to expire three months from the date of the letter, making a response due on or before July 29, 2008.

Claims 22 – 28 are pending in the application. The applicant submits another terminal disclaimer disclaiming the term of the patent to be granted on this application.

Claims 25 – 28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. The applicant amended Claim 25 to obviate the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2d paragraph.

Claims 22, 23 and 25 – 27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Turzillo in view of Fujita. The applicant amended Claims 22 and 27 by combining them with the features of Claims 24 and 28, and any intervening claims, thereby placing claims 22, 25, and 27 in condition for allowance.

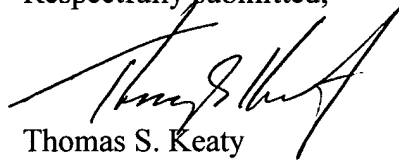
Claims 22 - 24 and 25 – 28 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 – 19 of U.S. Pat. No. 6,814,525. The applicant encloses a new Terminal Disclaimer to obviate the double-patenting rejection.

Claims 1 – 21 were previously cancelled. The applicant reserves the right to file divisional application(s) on the non-elected species.

In view of the above amendments and Terminal Disclaimer enclosed herewith, it is believed that Claims 22, 25 and 27 are now in condition for allowance, and issuance of an early Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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